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INCIDENT: New Volunteer Program announced with Marietta Police

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The Marietta Police Department announces the roll-out of the newly redesigned MPD Citizen Volunteer Program.

As a result of frequent recommendations from graduates of the MPD Citizen's Police Academy, police department staff has examined the existing program for accepting citizen volunteers to assist with departmental activities. Findings revealed that while the department has traditionally enlisted citizen volunteers to perform only basic clerical tasks, there are numerous Marietta citizens who possess tremendous talents, skills and life experiences they are willing to contribute on a volunteer basis to assist the department. Nevertheless, the existing volunteer program was not designed to integrate qualified volunteers with the more complex public safety and law enforcement functions of the department. Thus, we have enriched the program to recruit interested volunteers and promote the development, coordination, and organization of volunteer activities within the department. Specialized training, where applicable, will be offered to volunteers to meet their specific interests and qualifications.

Some of the volunteer assignments include, but are not limited to:

- Photography/Videography
- Detectives' Assistant
- Special Events Coordination
- Transportation Management
- Cyber System Coordination

A screening process to include a thorough background investigation will be conducted on all applicants. Any citizen who wishes to volunteer is urged to contact the Volunteer Program Coordinator, Officer Don Smith at 770-794-2364.

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